IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE **REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)** WITHOUT FILING FEE OR EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION

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Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled: GAME SYSTEM USING GAME CARDS AND GAME MACHINE

without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers: X An abstract together with 41 pages of specification and claims including 43 numbered claims and also attached is/are sheets of accompanying drawings. 6 \boxtimes This application is based on the following prior foreign application(s):

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respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby

claimed therefrom. This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s): Application No. Filing Date 60/276.029 March 16, 2001 respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby elaimed therefrom.

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continuation Certified copy/ies of foreign applications attached. This application is a __ continuation/_ division/_ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application is a \(\subseteq \text{continuation} \subseteq \subseteq \text{division} \) continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This is a continuation of PCT application No. , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/276,029, filed March 16, 2001, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee. Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement ; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Other: £ Inventor: Tsunekazu ISHIHARA Japanese (first) (last) (citizenship) Residence: (city) Tokyo (state/country) Japan 3-2-5, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan Mailing Address: (Zip Code)

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